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WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 1953

UNITED STATES SENATE,
COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND PUBLIC WELFARE,
Washington, D. C.

The committee met at 9:59 a. m., pursuant to notice, in room P-63 of the Capitol, Senator H. Alexander Smith, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Present: Senators Smith (presiding), Aiken, Griswold, Purtell, Goldwater, Murray, Hill, Neely, Douglas, and Lehman.

The CHAIRMAN. The committee will be in order.

The committee has for consideration this morning the nomination of Philip R. Rodgers to be a member of the National Labor Relations Board. There is before each member of the committee a biographical sketch of our staff director, Mr. Rodgers, and at this point in the record I will insert this outline of his background, as well as letters of endorsement which I have received from Senators Watkins and Bennett of Utah.

(The material referred to is as follows:)

Name: Philip Ray Rodgers.
Address: 9203 Mintwood Street, Silver Spring, Md.
Age: 37.
Place of birth: Bountiful, Utah, February 15, 1916.
Religion: L. D. S. (Mormon).
Marital status: Married, two children.
Education: Graduated, South High School, Salt Lake City, Utah, 1933; B. S., University of Utah (History and Political Science) 1939, Magna Cum Laude; M. S., University of Utah (Public Administration), 1940. Awarded Henry Newell scholarship, (Stanford University) 1940–41; Ph. D., American University (Public Administration) 1947; L. L. B., The George Washington University, 1948.
Experience: 1942–45, secretary to United States Senator James J. "Puddler Jim" Davis of Pennsylvania. 1945–47, assistant professor, political science and public administration, American University, Washington, D. C. 1947–49, chief clerk, United Statex Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare (80th Congress). 1949–53, minority (Republican) clerk, United States Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare (81st and 82d Congress). 1953–present, staff director, United States Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare (83d Congress). 1948–Present, adjunct professor, political science and public administration, American University, Washington, D. C.
Miscellaneous: Member of the Bar, District of Columbia. Republican.

UNITED STATES SENATE,
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY,
July 29, 1953.

Senator ALEXANDER SMITH,
Chairman, Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare,
Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C.

DEAR ALEX: I am informed that the President has nominated Philip Ray Rodgers as a member of the National Labor Relations Board and that hearings

on this nomination are scheduled for today before the committee of which you are chairman.

I wish to bring to your attention and to make a matter of record my support of Mr. Rodgers. Although Mr. Rodgers is a present resident of the State of Maryland, he is a native son of the State of Utah. I have known him for a number of years and have the highest respect for his ability in the field of labor law and labor relations. He is capable, forthright, and has qualities of personal loyalty which have stood the test.

I believe Mr. Rodgers to be an excellent choice and I support him without qualification.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

ARTHUR V. WATKINS.

UNITED STATES SENATE,
Washington, D. C., July 29, 1953.

Hon. H. ALEXANDER SMITH,
Chairman, Labor and Public Welfare Committee,
United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

DEAR ALEX: I am writing in regard to Mr. Philip Ray Rodgers whose confirmation as a member of the National Labor Relations Board is under consideration by your committee.

Mr. Rodgers has been a resident of Maryland for several years, but he originally came from my State of Utah. I would like to add my endorsement of him and my recommendation for his favorable consideration by your committee. I am sure that Mr. Rodgers, if confirmed, will render outstanding service in this position.

Very truly yours,

WALLACE F. BENNETT.

The CHAIRMAN. This nomination is now before the committee for consideration.

Senator NEELY. I move he be confirmed.

Senator MURRAY. I second the motion.

The CHAIRMAN. I appreciate very much the spirit of the nomination and the seconding of our friend. It was my intention to ask the committee to go into executive session in dealing with several matters of legislation before the committee, and at the same time to vote on the nomination. If it is the wish of the members of the committee, we can move the nomination of the nominee at this time.

Senator NEELY. I ask unanimous consent to vote on the nomination of Mr. Rodgers now.

Senator MURRAY. I second the motion.

Senator PURTELL. I wish to also second the motion.

Senator NEELY. I ask that the vote be made unanimous.

The CHAIRMAN. The motion has been made by Senator Neely, and seconded by Senator Murray, that the nomination of Mr. Rodgers be reported favorably and that the vote be recorded as unanimous. All in favor say "aye"; contrary minded. The motion is unanimously carried and the nomination will be so reported.

If there is nothing further, the committee will adjourn.

(Whereupon the committee adjourned.)

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